



## Mary Jo Lilley

February 19, 1928 - July 13, 2013

Mary Jo Bruce Lilley of Mead, OK passed away on Saturday, July 13, 2013 at her home at the age of 85. Mary was born February 19, 1928 in Pueblo, Colorado to Frank P. Bruce and Melrose (Mansker) Bruce. Her family moved to Bryan County in 1930 where she has lived ever since. She attended school in Mead and Durant. She married Calvin "Gene" Lilley in Durant in January of 1946. Mary was a member of the Mead Baptist Church and liked going to the Mead Senior Center. She also enjoyed jewelry, garage sales and cooking.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Melrose Bruce; husband Gene Lilley, one sister Virginia King, and two brothers Roy Bruce and Gordon Bruce.

Mary is survived by her children A. Bruce and wife Kay of Shawnee, OK, Mark S. Lilley and wife Beverly of Borger, TX, Joe D. Lilley of Mead, Teresa S. Mounts and husband Alan of Borger, TX, Monte G. Lilley of Sunray, TX, and Denise D. Hicks of Mead, OK, one brother James Bruce of Borger, TX, 17 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM, Thursday, July 18, 2013 at Mead Baptist Church with Bro. Kerry Groce officiating. Interment will follow at Mead Cemetery with grandson's, Gary Lilley, Cody Lilley, Craig Mounts, Shawn Andrus, Anthony Lilley, Jason Lilley and Keagan Howell serving as pallbearers. Family hour will be held from 6-8PM on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at Brown's Funeral Service Durant. Online condolences may be sent to

the family at [www.brownsfuneralservice.com](http://www.brownsfuneralservice.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service, Durant.

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# Previous Events

## Family Hour

JUL 17. 12:00 AM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Jo Lilley*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ *Teresa and Alan and family,  
I remember hearing my folks(Maxine and Odell Palmer) talk of  
Oklahoma, coming to the Panhandle, and the Lilleys so often. I trust  
your many happy memories will bring you smiles through your  
tears....Del and Dana Simmons*

**Dana and Delcine Palmer Simmons** - July 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary was a treasure and a gracious Lady and will be truly missed  
God bless..  
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**Nancy Ford** - July 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *we love you guys. and are so sorry for the loss of your mother.what  
a wonderful life she must have had.*

**don and mary belle newman** - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ We moved to Borger, Texas in 1950 as married young people with 2 small children. When we met Mary and Gene Lilley at Calvary Baptist Church, our lives were forever blessed. Mary was truly like Mary in the Bible. She loved Jesus and she loved people and she loved God's Word.

She was a leader in our Sunday School class, WMU, and all the activities of the church. As her family grew to 6 children, and ours to 3, we marvelled at what a good mother she was. She was a sweet, encouraging and faithful friend, a wonderful cook and housekeeper. There were many precious, shared experiences with Mary and her family.

One humorous thing that happened was one Sunday morning, we were the last ones to leave church and as we walked down the aisle there was this sweet, small little girl asleep in one of the pews. We wakened Denise and took her home and the family had not even missed her.

Another impression was that big black iron skillet. What fun at the Lilley house. Her children can truly rise up and call her blessed and a blessing. Her children are still precious in our lives.

Love you all and praying for you.  
Betty & Joe

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**Betty & Joe Wilson** - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Mary Jo Lilley

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**James & Marie Wilson** - July 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *She was a dear friend and sister-in-law for 67 years. She blessed my life and my family. I have many happy memories of her, her family, and children. May God bless them and ease their pain thru this time of sorrow.*

*Dorothy Morrison Lilley*

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**Dorothy M. Lilley** - July 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM